

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listing, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently amended) An entry control system for permitting authorized users to access a controlled area by moving a barrier, comprising:  
a ~~specific action~~ close button, the close button producing a coded signal when actuated by a user;  
an entry request device for accepting a user data input;  
a controller operably coupled to the entry request device and the ~~specific action~~ close button and having an output,  
such that the controller receives the user data input and an indication of a position of the barrier and determines based at least in part upon the user data input and the indication of the position of the barrier whether a first control signal should be generated at the output, the controller also receiving the coded signal indicating ~~an indication of~~ an actuation of the ~~specific action~~ close button and selectively generating a second control signal at the output based at least in part upon the indication of the position of the barrier.
2. (Currently amended) The system of claim 1 comprising a barrier operator ~~receiver~~ communicatively coupled to the ~~controller~~ transmitter at the output, the barrier operator ~~receiver~~ receiving the first and second control signals.
3. (Currently amended) The system of claim 2 wherein the ~~comprising a~~ barrier operator ~~coupled to the receiver, the operator~~ selectively moves ~~moving~~ the barrier upon receipt of the first and second control signals.
4. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein the entry request device is a keypad.
5. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein the first control signal opens the barrier and the second control signal closes the barrier.

6. (Cancelled)

7. (Currently amended) The system of claim 1 wherein the ~~specific action~~ close button changes function after a predetermined time period.

8. (Original) The system of claim 1 comprising apparatus for detecting an RF-ID, and wherein the second control signal is not transmitted unless the controller detects an RF-ID.

9. (Currently amended) The system of claim 1 wherein the second control signal is not transmitted unless the controller receives a biometric signature from a biometric identification system.

10. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein the generation of the control signals is delayed for a predetermined time after the actuation of the ~~specific action~~ close button.

11. (Currently amended) An entry control system for permitting authorized users to access a controlled area by moving a barrier, comprising:

a ~~specific action~~ close button, the close button generating a coded signal when actuated;

an entry request device for accepting a user data input;

a controller operably coupled to the entry request device and the ~~specific action~~ close button and having an output,

such that the controller receives the user data input and determines based at least in part upon the user data input whether a first control signal should be generated at the output, the controller also receiving the coded signal indicating an indication of an actuation of the ~~specific action~~ close button and selectively generating a second control signal.

12. (Currently amended) The system of claim 11 comprising a barrier operator ~~receiver~~ communicatively coupled to the controller ~~transmitter~~ at the output, the barrier operator ~~receiver~~ receiving the first and second control signals.

13. (Currently amended) The system of claim 12 ~~wherein the comprising a barrier operator coupled to the receiver, the operator selectively moves~~ moving the barrier upon receipt of the first and second control signals.

14. (Original) The system of claim 11 wherein the entry request device is a keypad.

15. (Original) The system of claim 11 wherein the first control signal opens the barrier and the second control signal closes the barrier.

16. (Cancelled)

17. (Currently amended) The system of claim 11 wherein the ~~specific action~~ close button changes function after a predetermined time period.

18. (Currently amended) The system of claim 17 wherein the ~~specific action~~ close button changes ~~from a close button~~ to a stop button.

19. (Original) The system of claim 11 comprising apparatus for detecting an RF-ID, and wherein the second control signal is not transmitted unless the controller detects an RF-ID.

20. (Currently amended) The system of claim 11 wherein the second control signal is not transmitted unless the controller receives a biometric signature from a biometric identification system.

21. (Currently amended) The system of claim 11 wherein the generation of the control signals is delayed for a predetermined time after the actuation of the ~~specific action~~ close button.